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SUBJECT: MEETING OF GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF UNIDROIT

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1. DEPARTMENT HAS REVIEWED THE PAPERS SUBMITTED IN CONNECTION WITH 27TH SESSION OF GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF UNIDROIT ON DEC. 16. RECOMMENDED POSITIONS FOR THE SUBSTANTIVE ITEMS ON AGENDA FOLLOW.

2. THE DRAFT BUDGET SHOULD BE APPROVED. HOWEVER THE U.S. REPRESENTATIVE SHOULD POINT OUT THAT THE INSTITUTE SHOULD EXERCISE ECONOMY TO THE GREATEST EXTENT POSSIBLE FOR TWO REASONS.

A. THE SURPLUS FOR PRECEDING YEAR THAT RESULTED FROM THE FALL IN VALUE OF THE ITALIAN LIRA AND THE SIMILAR SURPLUS ANTICIPATED IN CONNECTION WITH THIS YEAR'S BUDGET LARGELY REPRESENT A DEFERRAL OF OBLIGATIONS RATHER THAN ANY REAL INCREASE IN INCOME.

B. IN ORDER TO PROPERLY ORGANIZE ITS WORK THE INSTITUTE SHOULD SET ASIDE FUNDS ON AN ANNUAL BASIS IN ORDER TO DEFRAY THE EXPENSES OF DIPLOMATIC CONFERENCES TO

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ADOPT THE DRAFT CONVENTIONS PREPARED BY THE INSTITUTE.
PLANNING SHOULD BE INITIATED FOR THE HOLDING OF SUCH
MEETINGS IN ROME AT REGULAR INTERVALS. IN ORDER TO
MAKE THIS POSSIBLE STRICT ECONOMY WILL BE REQUIRED IN
ALL AREAS OF UNIDROIT ACTIVITIES.

3. ACCOUNT FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR 1975 SHOULD BE
APPROVED. -

4. U.S. SHOULD SUPPORT THE ELECTION OF PROFESSORS
LIMPENS AND SPERDUTI TO THE GOVERNING COUNCIL.

5. THE PROPOSED REVISION OF THE REGULATIONS OF THE
INSTITUTE SHOULD BE ACCEPTED, AS WELL AS THE SUPPRESSION
OF THE COMPENSATORY ALLOWANCE FOR STAFF MEMBERS OF
ITALIAN NATIONALITY WHO ARE EMPLOYED IN THE FUTURE.

6. THERE IS NO OBJECTION TO DOCUMENT 7 ON THE BASIS OF
INFORMATION AVAILABLE TO THE DEPARTMENT. KISSINGER

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